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## Letter from John Muir to [Robert Underwood Johnson], [ca 1889].

John Muir

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You must not think because this sketch  
is lean & scrawny that I have slighted  
my task, I have spent 3 weeks of hard  
work on it & have done my best to  
give a view of the American forests as  
they were & are, & how they have been & are  
being destroyed. In broad sketching I was  
embarrassed by my ~~own~~ knowledge, & in particular  
by ignorance, but I've just done the best I could.  
As an Editor with your finger on the public pulse, change  
the middle of the article as you like, but don't touch the  
the head or tail of it. as that is mine, own. Over

I have begun an article on tourist travel to our  
wild west in which I sketch the National parks  
etc. You can have it if you like  
Let me know if you care for it

Yr. Truly J. W. Dorr.

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